

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)TOPIC Schoenefeld Airfield

EVALUATION

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REMARKS

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1. Between 12 and 17 January 1952, 8 biplanes and 5 or 6 twin-engine planes were parked on a hardstand at Schoenefeld airfield. From two to seven twin-engine planes were parked close to the runway. All of the twin-engine aircraft were Li-2s.

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2. About 4:30 p.m. on 13 January, a fire was caused in an empty attic of building No. 63 by the children of Lieutenant Tandanski (fmu) who was the mess officer. Since no fire trucks were available at the field, the soldiers stationed at the field tried to extinguish the fire before the arrival of the local fire brigade.

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25X1 The latter truck had a mounted searchlight which was put in operation during the fire fighting activity.

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3. On 22 January, the following flying activities were observed at the field: a twin-engine transport of the Soviet Air Force landed at 2 p.m.; a twin-engine commercial plane of the Lot Airlines, [REDACTED] was

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25X1 of the same type as the Soviet transport, took off at 3 p.m.; a Czech commercial transport [REDACTED] landed at 3:05 p.m.; a plane of the Aeroflot Airlines, [REDACTED] landed at 3:10 p.m.; and a biplane repeatedly took off, and circled the field and landed between 2 and 3:30 p.m. At 3:30 p.m., 17 transports, 1 Czech commercial plane, 1 Soviet commercial plane and 2 biplanes were parked in the northern corner. Sedan [REDACTED] and bus [REDACTED]

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both occupied by air force officers, were observed at the field. *

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* [REDACTED] Comment. Schoenefeld airfield is still utilized by planes of civilian airlines of the U.S.S.R. and satellite countries and Soviet military transports which operate between the U.S.S.R. and the Soviet Zone of Germany. No combat unit of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army is stationed at the field.

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